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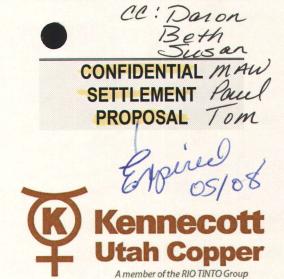
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January 4, 2008

Mr. Daron Haddock State of Utah Department of Natural Resources/DOGM P.O. Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114 - 5801

Dear Mr. Haddock:



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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

Amended Request for Extension of Time to Abate Notice of Violation No. N2007-58-01

Pursuant to UAC R647-6-102.2.16 Kennecott Utah Copper ("KUC") is requesting an extension of the abatement period of the above referenced Notice of Violation ("the NOV") beyond 90 days. The reason for this request is the extended timeframe necessary to resolve the complex and varied technical issues addressed in the NOV. Prior to issuance of the NOV KUC initiated a number of field improvements that will significantly reduce the likelihood of a recurrence of this event. These measures included a field engineering review of the Yosemite drainage, design and placement of a riser pipe to increase storage capacity within the drainage, sediment sampling and removal from the drainage, construction of additional check dams and improvement of existing check dams and the desilting basin. Division of Oil Gas and Mining ("Division") staff viewed these measures during a site visit on October 11, 2007. Additionally, maintenance was performed on the Yosemite dump crest berm following the July 27 event which was subsequently reviewed by Division staff during a site inspection on September 7, 2007.

During the period since the issuance of the NOV, KUC and the Division have been engaged in an active dialogue including meetings, field inspections and correspondence to achieve a mutually agreeable long term action plan and address substantive issues related to runoff management in the Yosemite drainage. Currently these discussions involve plans for additional stormwater controls and sediment management within the Yosemite drainage, completion of sediment sampling and an additional slope stability study for waste rock within the south end drainages. KUC will submit a revised proposal in this regard by January 23, 2008. KUC anticipates approximately two weeks will be necessary for the Division to review this proposal and that a final scope of work will be agreed to by February 29, 2008.

It is KUC's intention to continue to actively engage with the Division until a mutually agreeable resolution to the NOV is achieved.

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Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this request further, please contact me at 569-7427. KUC appreciates the Division's ongoing willingness to work collaboratively to achieve productive and mutually beneficial resolution to these issues.

Sincerely,

Chris Kaiser, Principal Advisor Environmental Operations Support

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